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OUTLINES.

An earthquake, which was felt almost throughout the entire country of Italy, devastated three provinces which forms the southwestern extremity. Messina was practically destroyed and Cantania was inundated. Numbers of lives were lost and the vast damage extends over a larger area than the earthquake of 1905. The trial of the night riders in Union City, Tenn., was suspended yesterday, due to the sudden illness of one of the defendants. Several witnesses were examined and the defense asked the court to withdraw all evidence pertaining to other trials than that of the Rankin murder—Judge Taft will spend only one week on the isthmus of Panama. He will be the chief speaker at a banquet in Atlanta next Friday. The store of Oscar C. Tackle, a New York jeweler, was robbed of \$5,000 in cash and \$20,000 in jewelry yesterday. The announcement of Mr. Wickersham, of New York, as Taft's Attorney General is expected in a few days. The defense claims to have made good headway in the evidence in the Hains-Annis murder trial yesterday. Counsel for the defense claim to be greatly encouraged at the outcome of the day's work. The American battleship squadron has entered the red sea on its way to the Mediterranean—Turkey opposes Austria's proposals for settlement of questions in the near East. The Ohio Senatorial candidates and their friends, are gathering at Columbus for the contest—Congressman Clayton advocates the Democrats going before the House of Representatives with a bill of their own for tariff revision and not merely in attitude of opposing the Republican measure. New York Markets: Money on call firm at 2 3/4 to 3 1/2 per cent, ruling rate 3 to 3 1/4, closing bid 2 3/4, offered at 3. Flour dull and about steady. Wheat firm, No. 2 red 1.07 to 1.08 1/2 elevator. Corn firm, No. 2, 65 1/2 elevator. Oats dull, mixed 54 to 54 1/2. Rye and turpentine quiet. Cotton quiet, middling uplands 9.30, middling gulf 9.55.

Only three more days and then across the State line or to the blind tiger.

Bryan deserves praise for his confidence in the sticking qualities of the Democratic party.

Those Congressmen who are making so much fuss about what the President said probably never heard Sam Jones' sermon on the hit dog.

Wonder if Cannon's Christmas pleasures were marred by that scare the Democrats and insurgents gave him a few days before the recess adjournment?

New Year resolutions will not be so easily broken this time, unless you make up your mind before hand to break them and lay in a supply before January 1st.

The other cities in the State will await with much curiosity the outcome of the new styles of Government to be put in effect in Raleigh and Charlotte.

We hope, for the sake of the Charlestonians' pride the cruiser North Carolina will be able to enter and get out of their city's harbor without running aground.

No one can censure President Roosevelt for determining to have nothing to do with the case until the courts are through with it. Other folks ought to do the same way.

Taft has done a lot of talking about breaking up the Solid South. Is he going to follow it up with significant action when it comes to appointing members of his Cabinet and other high officials?

If the President had no reason for those strictures on Congressmen about the secret service restrictions of course the Congress knows it and thus puts it up to him to do a piece of back-pedaling.

Having enough of war herself, Russia, according to the Austrian Minister of Foreign Affairs, is trying to stir up war between Austria and the Balkans. He says Russia's action is sure to cause war in the early spring. Russia wants others to do the fighting and she gain the benefit.

It is up to the Charlotte Chronicle now to establish a few golf links in the suburbs of its city, even if it has to go into adjoining counties or over into South Carolina in order to find space for them, in order that gentlemen who stop over at the Selwyn may not suffer too much from ennui while sojourning in its city.

Deposits made on or before Jan. 2nd will bear interest from Jan. 1st at the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company.

Regular Interest Period at People's Savings Bank January 1st.

PASS ON BOND FORM

Special Meeting of Board of Aldermen For Important Consideration Held Last Evening.

WATER WORKS, SEWERAGE

Negotiations For Purchase of Existing Plant to be Resumed This Week. Further Test of the Pipe. Other Notes.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen last night in the Mayor's office at the City Hall, all members having been present except Mr. W. A. French who was confined to his home by a slight indisposition, the form of the waterworks and sewerage bonds which were recently sold to Messrs. N. W. Harris & Co., of New York, were officially passed upon with such other preliminary and formal matters as were required before a final consummation of the deal with the delivery of the proceeds of the sale.

The bonds and coupons, according to the form as agreed upon last night, have already been engraved and are now being printed so that it is expected delivery will be made Wednesday or Thursday of this week, after which time it is expected negotiations for the purchase of the established plant for enlargement and improvement will be reopened and the entire matter concluded within the next ten days. The Board of Audit and Finance also has certain formal matters to pass upon with respect to the bonds and these will probably be given attention at a meeting to be held today or this evening.

In the absence of City Attorney Marsden Bellamy, Jr., last night, Mr. John D. Bellamy, Jr., of the same law firm, was present at the meeting as was also City Clerk and Treasurer Fowler. In calling the meeting to order the Mayor asked the clerk to read the call, which was done, the purpose being "to pass certain resolutions regarding the recent sale of the bonds," etc. The prepared resolutions, covering the whole scope of the election, the negotiations for the sale of the securities and the form of the certificates were read at the request of Chairman Bolles, of the Finance Committee, and were unanimously passed without discussion, save a statement from Alderman Bolles that the resolutions had been submitted to the attorney for the city and were found in proper form and contained nothing that would work a hardship upon the municipality.

The bonds are issued by authority of the election of May 7th 1907 and run for 40 years in denominations of \$1,000 each, bearing interest payable semi-annually on the first days of April and October of each year, at 4 1/2 per cent. per annum, at the banking house of N. W. Harris & Co., in New York. The price at which these securities were sold is \$103.313 with accrued interest to date of delivery. No other matters were taken up last night.

Alderman Northrop asked in regard to a request from the Chadbourne Sash, Door and Lumber Company, for permission to extend a spur track down Dawson street to its new mill on the water front. The Mayor stated that this would be taken up at the regular meeting on Monday night.

It is now stated that the Clarendon Water Works Company, will probably refuse an offer of \$140,000 for its plant, in spite of the fact that this was the agreed price when the former negotiations were pending. However, these matters are all being threshed out by the committee from which a definite report will be expected certainly not later than Monday night. A meeting of the committee with the Water Commission was called for 7 o'clock yesterday evening at which time it was expected that the negotiations for the purchase of the plant would be talked over with those who are expected to manage it after it is purchased but for some reason, no action was taken and it was decided to hold the conference later.

The test of the pipes underground, which was begun before the holidays will be resumed by the committee this morning with the examination of a four-inch section of the main taken from Water street, near Chesnut. The excavation for the test was made yesterday afternoon and members of the committee will have a look at the material this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

E. Warren & Son—Ice Cream.
N. Jacobson Hdw. Co.—Brushes.
J. W. Fleet Co.—Happy New Year.
W. B. Cooper—New Year Greeting.
Rothschild & Co.—Whiskey Cheap.
Murchison National Bank—For Rent.
American National Bank—January First.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Testimonial.
Business Locals.
For Sale—Desirable Farm.
J. D. Lorenz—Barbers Wanted.
Wanted—Position by Young Man.
E. Warren & Son—Bakery For Sale.

DEATH INEXPRESSIBLY SAD

Young Mother and Sweet Little Infant Join Each Other in Heaven—Mrs. Lucy Shannon Baxter Passes Away.

Inexpressibly sad is the death of Mrs. Lucy Shannon Baxter, the beloved young wife of Mr. William I. Baxter, which occurred yesterday morning at 3 o'clock at the James Walker Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient for several days, the visit of the Death Angel to the young woman having preceded by only a few brief minutes the waiting of the spirit of a sweet little infant to its mother in heaven.

Although residents here but comparatively a short time, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter had drawn to themselves an unusually large number of friends and the announcement of the death yesterday morning cast a gloom over the entire community, hundreds of expressions of sympathy for the tenderly devoted young husband and of regret at the passing of the young mother, just upon the threshold of a noble young womanhood, having been heard wherever the distressing intelligence was announced one to another. Death is sad under any circumstances, but at this season of the year when all the world is in joy and gladness upon the fruition of a glorious Christmas holiday, the visit of the Death Angel is even harder to contemplate and the sympathy of the community is poured out to those who mourn the passing of a beautiful Christian character such as was that in the present instance.

Mrs. Baxter was a daughter of Mr. H. C. Shannon, formerly of Goldsboro, but now of Norfolk, Va., and was in the 23rd year of her age when her death occurred. With her husband she removed to Wilmington about two years ago, Mr. Baxter being one of the proprietors of the Gerken Tobacco Company and one of the most popular and highly esteemed young men in the community. Mrs. Baxter, besides the husband and father, is survived by three brothers, one of whom, Mr. "Jack" Shannon, was here when the end came, and one sister. She was a grand niece of the late T. W. Brown, of Wilmington, and the granddaughter of Capt. "Jack" Galloway, so highly esteemed here. She was greatly beloved by all who came within the influence of her kindly presence and her gentle, sweet disposition.

The remains were taken yesterday morning to St. John's Episcopal Church, of which she was a devoted communicant, and will remain there attended by friends until this morning when they will be taken on the north-bound train to the former home of the family at Goldsboro for interment. Accompanying the husband on the sad mission will be the Rev. Wm. E. Cox, rector of the parish of Saint John's, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGowan, of Wilmington; Mr. Jack Shannon, of Whiteville, N. C., and other relatives and friends of the family.

PROF. J. B. HUFF ATTENDING

Southern Educational Association in Session at Atlanta, Ga. Prof. J. B. Huff, principal of the Wilmington High School, has gone to Atlanta, Ga., where this week he will be in attendance upon the annual convention of the Southern Educational Association, which will continue from December 29th to 31st inclusive. The Association is composed of the most influential educators in the South and the convention promises to be an important one. Prof. P. P. Claxton, of Knoxville, Tenn., is president of the Association and a most attractive programme has been mapped out for the Atlanta meeting. Three morning and three evening sessions will be held the three days of the convention and each session will be filled with vital discussions of subjects of the highest importance in the South. Improvement of school houses and grounds, the public and private high school, the education of the negro, industrial and technical education, the public library, school attendance laws, etc. The afternoons will be devoted to sessions of the departments of superintendent, higher education, secondary education, elementary education, normal school, drawing and industrial education, physical education, child study, libraries and kindergarten.

FILMS AT THE BIJOU.

Double Bill Will be the Offering This Afternoon and Evening. The Bijou will offer a double bill of moving pictures again today and one that is bound to please. "The Mysterious Knight" is a beautifully colored trick film which must be seen to be appreciated and "A Sicilian History" brings the spectator to close study of an old monk, who has lived a lonely existence in a monastery but now goes forth in simple Christian way, administering to the poor and needy. It is a pleasing story well told in motion photography. Both are very pleasing and will attract large houses.

In order to advertise a new set of books a representative of one of the largest publishers of New York and London is giving away 40 sets of books. If you are building up your library and will send your address at once to "J." care of Star, you can have an opportunity at this.

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C., C. & O. CONNECTION

Passenger Service Via Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio to be Inaugurated Feb. 1st.

WITH SEABOARD AIR LINE

Freight Traffic Will be Operated Earlier—Extensive Preparations for Inland Distribution at Spartanburg, S. C.

The Charlotte Chronicle, which is unusually well informed of all matters pertaining to the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railroad, its editor being in close touch with the officials and backers of this great enterprise, which is destined to do wonders for the development of Wilmington as a port, says that the recent announcement from Wilmington that the C., C. & O. would begin the operation of passenger trains from this city to the West on January 1st, is erroneous.

"The passenger service spoken of, however, will be put into operation on February 1, but it is not clear to us," says the Chronicle, "whether the C., C. & O. trains will at that time run over the Seaboard track between Bostie and Wilmington. It is probable that at first the passenger arrangement will be for a Seaboard train to connect at Bostie with the C., C. & O. train, but later—probably early in the Summer—when the C., C. & O. will put on a through Pullman car service from Wilmington and Charlotte to Cincinnati, the C., C. & O. will run its own trains over the entire route between Wilmington and Johnson City. Meantime, the C., C. & O. will begin the delivery of coal to the Seaboard Air Line at Bostie during the coming month."

Regarded in any light, it will be seen from what the Chronicle says that the connection with the Seaboard at Bostie is going to be a valuable one for Wilmington. It may not come as early as predicted; such announcements are usually, from the nature of the case, more or less discounted, but the connection is coming and that at no distant date. The Charlotte Observer of yesterday in speaking of the plans of the new railroad, has this additional information:

"Coal cars loaded with freight from the Clinchfield mines in West Virginia will be running into and through Charlotte certainly by the first of March and possibly during the latter part of February. The officials of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio road have intimated that trains would be in operation through from Merion to Bostie some time in February, but this is not regarded as probable. The road to Bostie has been all graded and the rails and cross ties laid in places, but much work, particularly that pertaining to the finishing, remains yet undone. The new road will pass under the Seaboard near Bostie and the main line will likely pass under the Southern near the Broad river not far from Blacksburg, S. C. There will be a line running into Spartanburg which is now in course of construction, but the main line likely will pass on to Columbia. Coal docks have been built in Spartanburg capable of holding as much as 10,000,000 tons of coal. These would hardly have been built had the management contemplated running the main line through. Spartanburg will be used for the great inland distribution centre."

"That Bostie is to reap a great benefit by reason of the building of the new line is evidenced by the work that is now under way there. Approximately 200,000 yards of dirt are being moved there now to provide suitable yards. The Seaboard will be reached by means of a long fill."

Mrs. Eleanor Galloway Dead.

The Greenville, S. C., News of Sunday prints an account of the death of that city on Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Perry, of Mrs. Eleanor Galloway, wife of Mr. C. M. Galloway, Sr., aged 71 years, after a lingering illness with paralysis. Before marriage she was Miss Eleanor Register and was born at Moore's Creek, being educated at Graves College, Clinton, N. C. She is survived by her husband and a large family of sons and daughters, one of whom is Mrs. J. T. Howard, of Wilmington; also two sisters, Mrs. S. V. Walker and Mrs. C. H. Carter, of Warsaw. The funeral was conducted in Greenville, S. C., on Sunday.

Xmas at First Baptist Church.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the First Baptist Church Sunday School beginning this evening at 7:45 o'clock, promises to be quite enjoyable for all who attend. Instead of receiving presents the children will make offerings for the Thomasville orphanage and a programme of pleasing exercises will be given by the young people.

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The New Year

Begin it right, open an account with The People's Savings Bank, and you will get your interest April 1st.

DANCE AT COUNTRY CLUB

Delightful Complimentary Affair Given Last Night by Mrs. Allan Nichols—Special Cars and Young People Present.

Complimentary to her guest, Miss Margaret Harris, of New Jersey, and her son, Mr. Spencer Nichols, who is at home from the University of North Carolina for the holidays, Mrs. Allan Nichols most delightfully entertained a large party of Wilmington young people at the splendid dance last night in the handsome new club house of the Cape Fear Country Club, near Delgado.

It was one of the largest private social affairs of the season and gave much pleasure to those who were so fortunate as to be on the list of invited guests. The ball room of the pretty new club house was superbly decorated in keeping with the glad holiday, and every arrangement was carried out with charming precision. The party left the city in special cars of the Consolidated Company and returned this morning at an early hour. The dance was the last of the leap year social diversions of the season of 1908 and all voted Mrs. Nichols a most agreeable hostess.

About sixty couples participated in the dance, among the visitors being Misses Marjorie and Jean King, of New York; Miss Ethel Hughes, of South Carolina; Miss Mary Jones, of Asheville; Misses Helen and Lillian Kenly, of Lake Waccamaw; Miss Louise LaMar, Monticello, Fla.; Messrs. John Robinson, of Goldsboro; Horatio Keen, of Chicago; John Holmes, of Asheville; Dr. N. Courtland Curtis, of Auburn, Ala.; Pembroke Jones, Jr., of New York, and Herbert and Emile Latimer, of Princeton University.

The decorations were Southern similar and pine boughs and made quite an effective setting for the beautiful dance. The music was by a stringed orchestra and during the evening refreshments were served. The party was chaperoned by Bishop and Mrs. Strang and Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Grain.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT COMING.

Capt. John H. Pruett, Head of American Association of M. M. & P.

Capt. John H. Pruett, National President of the National Harbor, American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, and one of the most distinguished steamboat masters in the United States, will arrive in the city tomorrow from Charleston, S. C., and tomorrow night at its headquarters, No. 101 North Water street, will pay an official visitation to Cape Fear Harbor No. 81 of this city. Capt. Pruett is completing a three months' tour of every branch of the organization in the United States, including Honolulu, and will address members of Cape Fear Harbor on what the harbor has accomplished, what it intends to accomplish and its influence toward bettering the service. The Executive Committee of Cape Fear Harbor expects every member to be present at the meeting tomorrow evening and assures each and every one that he will hear something of benefit to him. Capt. Pruett goes from Wilmington to Norfolk to visit the harbor there. The organization in Wilmington is comparatively new but it is in good working order and will give an enthusiastic reception to its National president. Members of other harbors in the city are cordially invited.

GRACE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Delightful Entertainment and Offering for Orphanage Last Night.

The Christmas entertainment last evening at Grace M. E. Church was one of the most largely attended and thoroughly delightful which the Sunday School ever gave. Excellent music was discoursed by the orchestra of eight pieces and the formal exercises were interspersed with songs, Bible reading, etc., after which various members of the school came forward with donations of many good things for the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. These gifts were largely of the substantial and will be of great benefit to Superintendent Cole, a former pastor of Grace, in his great work at the institution. There will be quite a solid car load of the donations from nearly every member of the large school. Mr. Mitchell F. Allen and Mr. K. W. Price are in charge and will see to the transportation of the gifts today. After a blessing had been pronounced upon the gifts, members of the school and visitors repaired to the Sunday School room where dainty refreshments were served and music and other pleasant diversions were enjoyed.

Mr. Geo. H. Bellamy in Extremis.

The many Wilmington friends will regret to know of the critical illness of Mr. George H. Bellamy, at his home at El Paso, Brunswick county. He has been unwell for several days but his condition was not considered critical until yesterday when symptoms of something like peritonitis developed. His brother, Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, and his nephew, Dr. Russell Bellamy, were summoned to Brunswick yesterday afternoon for a consultation as to whether or not an operation will be necessary.

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INLAND WATERWAY

Work on Big Government Project in North Carolina Now Well Under Way.

BUILDING CONNECTING LINK

Ship Canal From Pamlico Sound to Beaufort Inlet Soon to be Realization—Congressman Small on Inspection Trip.

An interesting visitor to Wilmington during the holidays was Junior Engineer Harry T. Patterson, locally in charge of the United States government's big initial project of digging the ship canal from Pamlico Sound to Beaufort Inlet as the first link in the great North Carolina Inland Waterway about which so much has been said and written of late, and which is in general charge of the United States Engineering Corps of the Wilmington district with headquarters in this city.

Engineer Patterson came over to spend the holidays in Wilmington, where he has many friends, and returned to Beaufort yesterday afternoon to meet Captain Earl I. Brown, his superior officer, who with Congressman Small and a party of other representatives from Washington, during the recess of Congress, were expected to reach Beaufort last night on the government steamer Mercur, which went from Wilmington to Norfolk last week for the use of the party in making an inspection of the beginning of the big construction.

Mr. Patterson talks interestingly of the work being done on the project, which consists of the dredging of a canal of 90 feet width at the bottom 140 feet wide at the water line, ten feet deep and extending a distance of five miles from the head of Adams and Core creeks which are utilized as existing water courses for making the total length of the canal 15 miles connecting Pamlico Sound and Beaufort Inlet. The contract for the dredging was recently let to the Maryland Dredging Company, of Baltimore, Md., at a total cost of something like \$387,000 and the work is now well under way. Two big dredges have already arrived from Baltimore and been put to work in cutting out the channel, these being the Potomac and the Vim. A third dredge known as "No. 9" and belonging to the Bowers Southern Dredging Company, of Galveston, Texas, is expected to leave in a few days from Southwest Pass, on the Mississippi, to join the other big machines now actively at work on the project. A dredge or dredges will be at work at either end of the canal and rapid progress is expected to be made, though the contract with the Maryland Dredging Co., does not call for completion before 1910.

Across the five miles strip of mainland where the greatest work is required, the government has acquired a right of way of 800 feet and 300 feet of this is being cut out so as to give a clean sweep across the strip of land. The contract for this work was sublet by the Maryland Dredging Co., and is completed as to felling of timber and the removal of other obstructions. A big steam stump puller and a power skidder was required in this work and some giant trees fell before the woodman's axe to make way for the great enterprise to which the government is now fully committed. Engineer Patterson has his headquarters in Beaufort, N. C., but all parts of the work are easily accessible by launches which are used in the service and in a house boat, which has been fitted up for use when the engineers are required to be on remote parts of the work for any length of time. The work is one in which all North Carolinians are interested and is to the State what the Panama Canal is to the Nation.

The available appropriation for the building of this first link in the waterway is \$450,000 but Congress, being now committed to the project, is expected to fully take care of it in future river and harbor bills.

Bids for the highway bridge to span the canal, which were recently opened. It is understood, have been rejected and new proposals will be invited at once. The bridge will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000 or \$25,000, and Captain Brown will invite proposals to be submitted at his office in this city later.

Wilmington's Stage Crew.

The Christmas number of "The Show World," a standard magazine of Chicago, devoted to the theatrical profession, has the following reference to the stage crew at the local theatre: "Wilmington, N. C., claims the fastest stage crew in that state. When Marjorie Mary appeared there the striking of the first act, tearing it to pieces, and packing it in the yard and the setting of the second act, required only 25 minutes. The regular time for striking and setting is 22 minutes. Another record was made at an amateur minstrel. Striking three acts took four minutes and 42 seconds. James D. Mote is the stage manager."

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FOR GUARANTEE OF BANK DEPO-
SITS.

One of the most important matters and one which will be as much discussed in the press of the State and by the members of the Legislature which meets early next March, will be a proposition for guaranteeing of deposits in the State banks. This matter will be brought before that body for action and we have no doubt there will be some legislation on the subject—some law will be passed. Until the press and the people know more about what kind of a law it will be that the Legislators propose to enact they cannot give their approval of the measure as a general proposition or oppose it in toto. It is a most important legislative proposition, one seriously affecting the banking interests and, consequently, the business interests of the entire State. That this subject will be prominently brought before the Legislature is shown by the fact that Hon. John W. Guldridge, member-elect of the House of Representatives for Anson county, has already drafted a bill on this subject which he proposes to introduce during the session. This bill will, we suppose, be made the foundation for whatever final action the Legislature may take, if any, on this important subject, and for this reason we here give our readers the full text of his proposed bill:

"Section 1. That the Corporation Commission shall, during the month of June, 1909, and annually thereafter, levy against the capital stock of every State banking institution, trust company or other corporation engaged in the banking business in the State of North Carolina, doing business under a State charter, an assessment equal to one-half of one per cent. of the bank's daily average deposits for the preceding year, less the deposits of funds belonging to the United States or the State of North Carolina, if otherwise secured, for the purpose of creating a depositors' guaranty fund; said assessment to be paid direct to the State Treasurer by the bank upon the call of the Corporation Commission to be by said Treasurer set aside to be known as a fund for the protection of bank depositors within this State. Said fund shall be under the supervision, control and management of the Corporation Commission, which shall have power to adopt all such suitable rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, as may be necessary and proper for the management and administration of the same. In one year from the time the first assessment is levied, and annually thereafter, each bank and trust company subject to the provisions of this act, shall report to the Corporation Commission the amount of its average daily deposits for the preceding year, and if such deposits are in excess of the amount upon which one-half of one per cent. was previously paid, said bank shall immediately pay to the Treasurer additional funds to equal one-half of one per cent. of the daily average excess of deposits over the preceding year, which amount shall be added to the Depositors' Guaranty Fund. If the Depositors' Guaranty Fund is depleted for any cause it shall be the duty of the Corporation Commission, in order to keep said fund to one-half of one per cent. of the daily average deposits in all of said banks and trust companies subject to the provisions of this act, to levy a special assessment to cover such deficiency, which special assessment shall be levied upon the capital stock of the banks and trust companies subject to this act, according to the amount of their deposits as reported in the office of the Corporation Commission and such special assessment shall become immediately due and payable.

"Section 2. Banks and trust companies organized subsequent to the enactment of this Act shall pay into the Depositors' Guaranty Fund one and one-half per cent. of the amount of their capital stock when they open for business, which amount shall constitute a credit fund subject to adjustment on the basis of its deposits as provided for other banks and trust companies now existing, at the end of one year; provided, however, said one and one-half per cent. payment shall not be required of new banks and trust companies formed by the re-organization or consolidation of banks and trust companies that have previously complied with the terms of this Act.

"Section 3. Whenever any Bank or Trust Company organized or existing under and by virtue of the laws of this State shall voluntarily place itself in the hands of the bank examiner or whenever any judgment shall be rendered by a Court of competent jurisdiction adjudging and decreeing that such bank or trust company is insolvent or whenever its rights or franchise to conduct a banking business under the laws of this State shall have been adjudged to be forfeited or whenever the bank examiner shall become satisfied of the insolvency of any such bank or trust company he may after due examination of its affairs take possession of said bank or trust company and its assets and under the direction of said corporation

commission proceed to wind up its affairs and enforce the personal liabilities of its stockholders, officers and directors, and collect all debts, dues and claims of all description belonging to it and pay all its just debts and do all such things as may be necessary to wind up the affairs of such banking institution according to law.

"Section 4. In the event that the bank examiner shall take possession of any bank or trust company subject to the provisions of this act the depositors of said bank or trust company shall be paid in full, and when the cash available or that which can be made immediately available of said bank or trust company is insufficient to discharge its obligations to depositors the bank examiner under the direction of the Corporation Commission shall draw from the Depositors' Guaranty Fund and from additional assessments, if required, as provided by this Act, the amount necessary to make up the deficiency in order to pay the depositors in full, and the State shall have for the benefit of the Depositors' Guaranty Fund a first lien upon the assets of said bank or trust company and all liabilities against the stockholders and directors of said bank or trust company and against all other persons, corporations or firms. Such liabilities may be enforced by the State for the benefit of the Depositors' Guaranty Fund."

ENFORCE THE LAW.

The Star opposed the prohibition bill recently ratified by the people because it was unfair—being based on the principle of "heads I win, tails, you lose"—because we believed its adoption would weaken the Democratic party in the State (as it did) and because we believe local option is the fairest and most practical solution of the liquor problem.

But the prohibition bill, having been endorsed by the people by more than forty thousand majority, will become a law and will go into effect next Friday.

Now, we say, enforce the law. Give it a fair trial during the next two years. If it prove a success let it stand as it is. If it prove a failure let the Legislature of 1911 take such action as the then prevailing conditions may warrant. But the Legislature to meet next month should let this prohibition question severely alone. Let us have no more agitation over the liquor question, at least until the present law has been fairly tested.

The Star hopes the authorities will call into action every legitimate agency in its power in its efforts to show the people that a law, whether "good, bad or indifferent," must be rigidly enforced so long as it is on the statute books. If the law prove ineffective there will be found a remedy two years hence. In the meantime crush the "blind tigers" that are sure to come. They ought to be suppressed not only because they are lawbreakers, but because the vile stuff they sell tends to make criminals of the buyers.

THE FEDERAL JUDGESHIP.

The News and Observer expresses our sentiments when it says, in reference to the filling of the vacancy on the bench in this district caused by the death of Judge Purnell:

"The Democrats do not have any voice in selecting the Federal Judge, but there is a forum where they can demand that he be an able lawyer whose public and private life are clean."

We have no right to expect a Democrat to be appointed and do not expect such to be done; but the people of the district have the right to demand that appointing power observe home rule in this matter and appoint to the office a member of the bar of this district and in doing so select one who is qualified by legal learning, natural ability and established reputation for integrity and gentlemanly conduct to properly fill this important office. Such man can be found in the Eastern District, and, therefore, there is no good reason for going out of the district for the appointee and sufficiently good reason why it should not be done.

An exchange says that a number of rural free delivery carriers complain that patrons of the system are in the habit of dropping unstamped letters in their boxes, with pennies to pay the postage. This is of great inconvenience to the carriers, especially when in a hurry or when the weather is very cold. The owners of boxes who insist on doing this could greatly aid the carriers if they would put a small cup in their boxes in which to drop the small change to pay for the stamps. But there is no use in this even, for the rural free delivery carriers are always supplied with stamps and postal cards for sale to parties on their routes. If the latter would purchase stamps from these and place them on their letters before mailing them they would not only confer a great favor on the carriers, but often insure speedier delivery at destination of their letters.

The Charlotte Chronicle in an editorial on Roosevelt's Ananias Club gives the names of the prominent men who are charter members. It "supposes" there should be a list of honorary members and proposes to Roosevelt the name of Senator Tillman as "dean of the honorary membership." This, of course, is done as a joke, but we would remind the Chronicle that

no matter how much of an "undesirable citizen" Roosevelt might consider the senior Senator from South Carolina, he knows the latter's character too well to, for a single moment, consider the latter a fit man for membership in his Ananias Club. In fact, the trouble between the President and the Senator is that the latter has been too truthful—often sacrificing the amenities to his regard for the truth regardless of the consequences or of other people's feelings—much like Roosevelt himself.

We are sorry to note the following in the Charlotte Observer of yesterday:

"Mr. C. D. Bennett, one of the most capable and successful members of the Charlotte bar, has decided to move to Oklahoma to live. Some time ago he was threatened with asthma and his physician advised a dryer climate. He will locate in Oklahoma City, leaving for that place last night to secure offices and make final arrangements incident to his transfer of residence about February 1st."

The State can ill afford to lose such a man as Mr. C. D. Bennett, who is a worthy representative of that old Anson county stock of Bennetts which has produced so many worthy men and women.

The following cablegrams from European cities to yesterday morning's papers look like there is going to be a general war in Europe over the "near east" question before very long; at any rate that some of the countries interested are expecting it and preparing for the same:

"London, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Vienna to the Daily Express says that Austria-Hungary has a force of 155,000 men in Bosnia and Herzegovina ready to invade Serbia at a moment's notice."

"A dispatch from Cetinje, Montenegro, announces the departure of the war minister and general staff on a tour of inspection of the Herzegovinian frontier."

World's Work for January contains articles which should be read by every one interested in present financial and economic questions in this country. Carnegie writes on "How Labor will Control Capital" and Rockefeller has his fourth installment on his "Reminiscences." These two are worth the price of the issue of the magazine. Besides these there are many other articles on lighter subjects, but of equal interest to many readers. The January is a most interesting number of this one of the leading magazines of the country. It is published by Doubleday, Page & Co., of New York.

That Wake county farmer who committed suicide Christmas eve morning because his three sons had brought a lot of whiskey home the night before and made a "rough house" of it would not have felt driven to such a course, had he made better use of the shingles in the wood shed a few years earlier.

The Charlotte Chronicle quotes Colonel William J. Bryan's telegram to Gompers, and the only editorial comment it makes is: "And he hadn't been asked to do it, either."

CURRENT COMMENT.

Ryan has stopped. He came to Baltimore 40 years ago from his home in Virginia and found a job as a dry goods clerk green from the country. A year or two later, he went on his restless way to the great city of New York in pursuit of the fortune he had dreamed of. He was a chaffing spirit, and once more in a dry goods shop he put his first lick into the richest money mine of the world. And on the tips of his farm-born and farm-trained fingers he found the touch of Midas.—Baltimore Star.

The views of Mr. Carnegie on steel duties are those of a former protectionist and a former manufacturer of steel. When he was making steel he advocated protective duties for steel. Now that he is no longer making steel, but merely holds a mortgage over those who do, he advocates abolishing protective duties on that product. No doubt he is honest in both opinions; his point of view has changed. The Ways and Means Committee got nothing but generalities from Mr. Carnegie. It must look elsewhere for the exact information it is seeking.—Philadelphia Press.

Standard Oil isn't worrying over much about the Missouri decree banishing it from that State. The same sentence was pronounced against the company in Texas and failed to suspend Mr. Rockefeller's operations for any appreciable period. The corporation promptly withdrew from the State and did no more business there in no time. But another concern owned by Standard Oil promptly occupied the field, and thus, having nominally bowed to the mandate of the law, the Trust went on trading at the same old stand in the same old way. These were well entrenched monopolies and their resourceful managers laugh at such paper pellets as writs of ejectment. A writ of incarceration against the law-breaking agent would be much more effective.—Virginia Pilot.

When, a month or so ago, it was announced that an agreement had been entered into between the American and Japanese Governments as to the mutual interests of the two countries in the Pacific Ocean, and the regulation of trade in the Far East as well as the preservation of the integrity of the Chinese Empire, it was freely predicted that the understanding would come up for some criticism and discussion in the United States Senate, although it was the announced purpose of the

Administration that the matter should not come officially before Congress. The evident purpose in thus preventing a discussion of the entente was to remove all possibility of friction growing out of such adverse comments and criticisms that a discussion of the agreement would be likely to cause.—New Orleans Picayune.

—From the Sunday papers we read that all over the country people are being murdered—shot to death by men who carry the deadly pistol. What is to become of our country if this deplorable practice of toting pistols is not done away with? The law seems to have no effect, is treated with contempt, and the man that disobeys it is generally the man that gets the opportunity to use his "gun" upon his unarmed victim. It is nothing but the meanest kind of cowardice that makes a man shoot another in an altercation, unless it is absolutely necessary in self-defense, and there would be no occasion whatever for the pistol to be used if it was generally known and understood that the pockets of no man contained a deadly weapon. There should be honor exercised in an altercation as much so as in business. If, when nothing but a tussle will satisfy the other fellow, then give it to him as quick and as thorough as possible, after which extend to him your hand and say you are sorry it had to be done, and that you will pay the druggist's bill. Let our lawmakers do something to do away with the pistol if they have to pass a law making it a penitentiary offense for any party to carry a concealed weapon, save those in authority.—Chase City Progress.

TWINKLINGS.

—Nan—I always know when Jack is at the front door. He gives just one little ring. Pan—Yes—just like that one on your finger.—Chicago Tribune.

—Old Lady (shrinking from plunging back)—Oh, I don't think I'll take your cab. I don't like the look of your horse. Caddy—Well, lady, praps it's just as well as he don't seem to like the look of you, neither.—Punch.

—Mrs. Highmuss—I see from the fashion plates that gowns are not to be worn so long next year. Mrs. Pencil—Gracious! My husband will have a fit. I never wear a gown more than once or twice even now!—Chicago Tribune.

—Little Charley Maloney, a 6-year-old boy, heard a man practicing on the calliope preparatory to playing it in the circus parade. Rushing to his father, he said: "Listen, papa. 'What is it?' asked his father, 'It's de elephant singing,' said Charles.—Argonaut.

—A very matter-of-fact person called to see a neighbor, an elderly woman, who had been ailing for some time. "And how do you find yourself today, Janet?" was the greeting. "Ah, Martha, I'm very bad. This cold, damp weather'll be the end of me. I'll be a dead woman before very long." "Hoots toots, woman. You've been saying that any time these last twenty years. I've no patience with you. I'll tell you what it is. You want firmness of mind. Fix a day for your dying—and stick to it."—Argonaut.

—It is of Dr. Isaac Barrow that the story is told of a playful match at mock courtesy with the Earl of Rochester, who, meeting Dr. Barrow near the King's chamber, bowed low, saying: "I am yours, Doctor, to the knee-strings." Barrow (bowing low): "I am yours, my Lord, to the shoe tie." Rochester: "Yours, Doctor, down to the ground." Barrow: "Yours, my Lord, to the center of the earth." Rochester (not to be outdone): "Yours, Doctor, to the lowest pit of hell." Barrow: "There, my Lord, I must leave you."—Argonaut.

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Waking a Deaf Person.
"To wake a deaf person who wishes to be called at a certain hour is about the hardest proposition a hotel clerk runs up against," said a member of that genial fraternity. "To ring the telephone is useless because the man couldn't hear if you rang until doomsday. Knocking, for the same reason, is equally futile. Now and then a guest who has lost his hearing suggests that he leave his door open all night so we can walk right in and shake him, but even though he does appear to be a dead game sport there are so many chances of somebody else less guileless than ourselves walking in ahead of us that we cannot consent to that. So far the only satisfactory way found for waking a deaf lodger is to tie a string to his wrist, pass the string through the keyhole and then tug away at it at the appointed time. That method, however, is rather primitive. It seems to me that the man who can patent a harmless artistic device for waking the deaf is sure of fame and fortune, not to mention the gratitude of hotel clerks."—New York Sun.

The Mullahs of India.

A mullah, or, as it is more properly written, mollah, is a title given in India and throughout the east generally to a religious leader of any description. Thus the sultan of Turkey is a mollah, because he is the supreme head of the muslim world. And there are hundreds of others. To most of the more conspicuous among them we prefix the adjective "mad." This, however, must not be taken to mean that they are insane, the word being used rather in its oriental significance of "inspired." The person of the mollah is sacred. Not even the mighty Habibullah himself would care to lay a sacrilegious finger on one of these saintly personages. If he were to venture such an unheard of thing, vengeance would surely overtake him. For it is the cardinal principle of the Umma—as the mollahs are collectively termed—that an injury purposely caused to one of their number can only be atoned for by the death of the individual inflicting it.

Greatest Danger to Swimmers.

"It isn't cramp," said a life guard, "that carries off so many good swimmers. After all, what is a leg or arm cramp? Couldn't a good swimmer easily turn on his back and float till the attack departed? No, cramp won't account for the strange seizures that in a twinkling turn a very fish of a swimmer into a helpless, speechless, drowning paralytic. What accounts for this business is water inhaling. A swimmer inhales spray through the nostrils, it passes through the pharynx, behind the epiglottis or windpipe guard and so down into the windpipe. The result is nearly certain death. Swallowing water does you no harm, but breathing it may kill you. How to avoid accidentally breathing it, though, that is a question nobody seems able to answer."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Ice and Mice.

For horses suffering from inflammation of the lungs an old prescription was a mixture of shot and powder in milk. This has even been applied to human beings. In "Idlehurst" mention is made of sparrow shot, five or six to the dose, to be taken twice a day, as a remedy for "brown kitters," which is believed by the English farm laborers to be caused by the "lights" (their term for lungs) rising up the windpipe. The shot is supposed to weight them down in their rightful place. Sussex, England, is the scene of "Idlehurst." It was a Sussex woman who was ordered by the doctor to put some ice in a bag and bind it on the temples of her sick boy. Inquiring after his patient the next day, the physician received the reply, "Oh, Tommy's better, but the mice are dead!"

Then He Got His.

A young Lancashire lad joined the army and soon after his arrival at headquarters got into trouble. Accordingly he had to face his commanding officer next morning.

The usual preliminaries were gone through, when, contrary to orderly room etiquette, the recruit commenced to defend himself.

"Silence!" roared the adjutant. "Thou shut up," said the prisoner. "I'm not speaking to thee. I'm talking to the old chap in the chair."—London Scraps.

Too Much For Him.

"How true that old saying is about a child asking questions that a man cannot answer," remarked Popleigh. "What's the trouble now?" queried his friend Singleton. "This morning," replied Popleigh, "my little boy asked me why men were sent to congress, and I couldn't tell him."—Chicago News.

Did He?

"You never saw a man who understood women." "Well, I knew a man once who claimed that he did." "And did he?" "Well, he never married one."—Hous-ton Post.

Her Chin.

Dawson—The facial features plainly indicate character and disposition. In selecting your wife, were you governed by her chin? Spenslow—No, but I have been ever since we married.

Her Ears In Danger.

Susie had left her toys about the kitchen. Mother (picking them up)—Susie, if you leave these things about the kitchen again I'll box your ears and throw them in the ash pit.

None but the contemptible are apprehensive of contempt.—Rochefoucauld.



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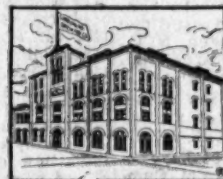
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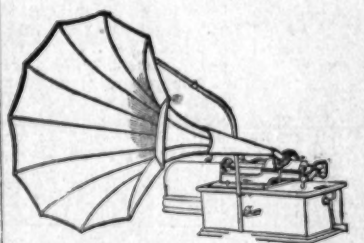
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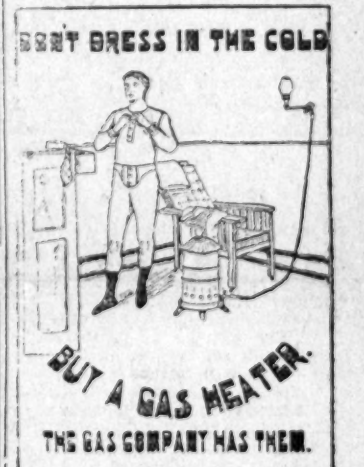
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The Morning Star.

Tuesday, December 29, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.
Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 29, 1908.
Meteorological data for the 24 hours
ending at 8 P. M. Monday, Dec. 28th:
Temperature at 8 A. M. 45 degrees;
8 P. M. 52 degrees; maximum 62 de-
grees; minimum 45 degrees; mean 54
degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .00; for the
month 2.12 inches.
Stage of water in Cape Fear river
at Fayetteville Sunday at 8 A. M.
22.7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Partly cloudy
Tuesday and Wednesday, with prob-
ably showers; moderate tempera-
ture; moderate variable winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 29.

Sun Rises.....7:10 A. M.
Sun Sets.....4:54 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 44 min.
High water at Southport 12:42 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 2:56 P. M.

LOCAL DOTS.

—A meeting of the Art Department
of Sorosis will be held in the club
room, Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'-
clock. A full attendance is desired.

—By deeds filed for record yester-
day the following real estate transfers
are made: Carolina Real Estate Trust
Co., to Octavia Kowney, for \$500, ten
acres of land, known as Farm G, ac-
cording to the official plan of the Cas-
tle Haynes colony tract, and F. J.
Gooding and wife transferred to Louis
Tyndall and wife, for \$1 and other
considerations, property on north side
of Taylor, 100 feet east of Fourth
street, a former deed having been de-
fective.

—Under the provisions of Section
1505 of the Code Revisal, the Vir-
ginia-Carolina Chemical Co., through its
attorneys, Messrs. Rountree & Carr
yesterday filed for record a petition
to have a complete survey of the 29
acres of its properties owned in sev-
eral tracts on the Northeast branch of
the Cape Fear river, in this county.
The property is now held under sev-
eral deeds, the object being to have
all the tracts included in one general
survey and deed.

CHRISTMAS AT HOSPITAL

King Daughters' Circle Made Day
Happy For Patients and Nurses.

While many families were having
their reunions and social gatherings,
and the benevolent and generous in-
clined have donated of their abun-
dances to supply the wants of the less
favored brethren, the sick at the Hos-
pital were not forgotten. Some of the
good ladies connected with the Hos-
pital Circle of the King's Daughters
and other friends were on hand and
they had placed in position some very
appropriate and handsome decorations
and gave a very enjoyable entertain-
ment for the nurses and after spending
some hours in this way they called at
the wards and gave to each inmate
some useful and practicable gift that
was beneficial to the sick or conva-
lescent. The presence of these ladies
and friends served to brighten the
lives of these unfortunate ones, who
away from home and friends at this
festive time were unable to enjoy their
companionship and yet they felt that
they were not alone, but that kind
friends were sympathizing with them
in their weakness and sickness and
that they could rejoice with others in
the season that brings "Good tidings"
and the donors felt the inspiration that
comes from giving and the pleasure
of seeing the enjoyment of others.

SALE IS ENJOINED

Restraining Order Obtained Against
Mr. F. J. Gooding.

Legal proceedings in the nature of
a restraining order to prevent the sale
of a piece of property, was served yester-
day upon Mr. F. J. Gooding, the
complainant being R. G. Grady, Esq.,
who carried the papers to Elizabeth-
town yesterday where they were prop-
erly signed by Judge Lyon.

This step was taken by Mr. Grady,
after the property in question, located
on Taylor street, 50 feet from the east
line of James street being parts of
lots Nos. 4 and 5, had been advertised
for sale by Mr. Gooding, who pro-
posed to foreclose the mortgages held
by him. The property was purchased
by Mr. Grady with the privilege of
making the final settlement within
several years time, it is alleged, and
when the property was advertised it
became necessary for a restraining or-
der to prevent it being disposed of
until the case can be heard and judi-
cially determined.

EIMINATES THE BUFFET

No Intoxicating Drinks Served in Elks
Club Rooms After First.

At a largely attended meeting of
Wilmington Lodge No. 532, B. P. O. E.,
last night in the Temple, on North
Front street, it was decided by a vote
to eliminate the buffet service in the
club rooms altogether with the going
into effect of the State prohibition law
on January 1st. The locker system,
which has heretofore been used, and
which might have been continued un-
der the provisions of the new law as to
intoxicating liquors, was proposed
but the lodge by a decisive vote de-
cided to attempt to evasion or perva-
sion of the law and the buffet will go
"hair and hide" on Thursday night of
this week. This decision, on the part
of Elks, is to be commended and the
action last night met with singular
approval wherever it was announced.

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Baggage! Baggage! Baggage! To
and from all trains. Orrell Livery
Co., phone 47.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. W. S. McGregor, of Goldsboro,
was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—Mr. J. R. Jackson, of Lake Wac-
camaw, is in the city making business
calls.

—Messrs. Thos. O'Berry and A. D.
Beal, of Goldsboro, were guests at
The Orton yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McPhail, of
Rockingham, spent yesterday in Wil-
mington on a short visit.

—Mr. E. T. Carney, after a short
visit to relatives and friends returned
to Newbern yesterday.

—Miss Katie Bornemann is spend-
ing several days in Charleston, on a
visit to friends during the holidays.

—Mr. Donald H. Cole returned yester-
day from Jacksonville, N. C., where
he spent the holidays at his old home.

—Dr. Paul Crumpler, of Roseboro,
was among the arrivals in the city
Sunday and was registered at The Or-
ton.

—Mrs. E. Bretzfelder, accompanied
by her daughter, Miss Bretzfelder, is
in the city on a visit to her son, Mr.
Morris Bretzfelder.

—Dr. T. C. Johnson, of Lumberton,
was here Sunday, returning home af-
ter spending the holidays with Mrs.
Johnson at Whiteville.

—Dr. F. L. Webb, of Lewiston, N. C.,
is in the city to spend the holidays
with his sister, Mrs. John B. Cranmer,
No. 615 Orange street.

—Savannah Morning News: "Mr.
and Mrs. W. G. Pulliam and Mr. Stone
Cowan Pulliam of Wilmington, N. C.,
are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hull."

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Mintz, of
Mount Olive, who have been spend-
ing the holidays at Southport, arrived
Sunday and are guests at The Orton.

—Mr. John Underwood, of Fayette-
ville, representative-elect from Cum-
berland county, arrived Sunday and is
spending a day or two in the city.

—Alderman J. A. Karr returned Sun-
day from Norfolk where he spent the
holidays with his family, who are
spending some time there with the
hope the change will be of benefit to
Mrs. Karr's health.

—Mr. Ed Taylor, a prominent fish
dealer of Wilmington, left Saturday
afternoon for Florida to look after his
extensive fishing interests at Punta
Gorda and other points on the coast.
He will be away about two weeks.

—Mr. Lonnie Bristow, a former
young Wilmingtonian, who is now a
linotype operator with the Mutual
Publishing Co., in Raleigh, is in the
city spending the holidays and is be-
ing cordially received by his many
friends here.

—Dr. H. H. Bass and family, of
Henderson, are visiting his sister, Mrs.
J. A. Fountain, in the city for a few
days. They are on their way to At-
lanta, where Dr. Bass recently decided
to locate and will be State agent for
Georgia of the Jefferson Standard
Life Insurance Co.

—Mrs. Jennie M. Garrell left yester-
day afternoon for Sanford, Fla., to
visit her father-in-law, Mr. J. W.
Barnes, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. W.
E. Scoggin. Later she will attend the
automobile races at Ormond Beach,
Fla., and visit friends in Jacksonville,
returning to her home in about four
weeks.

—Among those in the city for the
Covington-Murphy wedding tomorrow
evening are Mrs. D. H. Ray and Mrs.
T. H. Sutton, of Fayetteville; Miss
Faith Covington, of Rockingham; Miss
Eliza Murphy and Mr. E. E. Murphy,
of Atkinson; Mr. C. C. Murphy,
Greensboro; Mr. Paul E. Murphy,
Lowell; Isaac Wright, Esq., of Clinton,
and Miss Isabel Brown, of Salisbury.

—Mr. Walter H. McIntire, a clever
young Wilmingtonian who has made
his mark in his chosen profession of
chemistry since his graduation with
honors several years ago at the North
Carolina A. & M., is at home from the
Pennsylvania State College, where he
is a member of the faculty, and is
spending the holidays with his parents
Capt. and Mrs. R. M. McIntire, on
Market street.

—Mr. R. B. White, of the Southern
Bell Telephone and Telegraph office
force in this city, returned yesterday
from South Carolina where he spent
the Christmas holidays. Friends will
sympathize with him in the accidental
death of his brother-in-law which oc-
curred as a result of the accidental dis-
charge of his gun while hunting on
Christmas day.

SCHOONERS WERE LOST

Coasters Known at Local Port Meet
Disaster in Heavy Gale.

The heavy gale on Christmas day,
causing a number of marine disasters
most of which were reported on the
coast between New York and Hatteras,
resulted in the loss of several coasters,
which have made visits to this port in
the past few years and are well known
in marine circles here. Among the
number are the schooners Jeanie Lip-
pitt and Harry Messer.

The Lippitt was found water logged
off Hog Shoals, with only one man
aboard the remainder of the crew be-
ing drowned. The Messer was aban-
doned at sea after she was badly dis-
abled. Some seven or eight other
schooners met a similar fate and the
storm is reported to be the most dis-
astrous storm on the Atlantic coast
in some time.

Married at Atkinson, N. C.

On Sunday at high noon a beautiful
wedding was celebrated at the home
of the bride at Atkinson, N. C., when
Miss Jessie Bramble was married to
Mr. Jesse Justice, of Sloop Point. The
ceremony was impressively performed
by E. A. Hawes, Esq. The bride was
handsomely attired in a going-away
suit of brown with hat and gloves to
match. The attendants were Miss
Mamie Robinson with Mr. Grover
Bramble; Miss Ida Bramble with Mr.
Justice and Miss Ada Bramble with
Mr. Rackley. Mr. and Mrs. Justice
left on the southbound train for Sloop
Point where they will make their home.

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LUMBERTON NEWS NOTES.

Passing of the Holidays—Accident at
Elrod—Personals.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 28.—Work,
which has been suspended on the
Lumberton Cotton Mill office building
and the McNeill building during the
holidays, was resumed this morning,
a large force of men being used, but
Contractor Baker says he needs half
a dozen good white brick layers. The
work will be pushed to completion as
rapidly as possible.

Mayor Pro Tem, Floyd had only one
Christmas offender before him Satur-
day and was of the opinion that the
fun the fellow had was worth some-
thing over \$18 and he was taxed ac-
cordingly.—Many people who have
been spending Christmas in Lumberton
returned to their respective homes today.

We were misinformed as to the
name of the party who was killed at
Elrod Friday, also as to the circum-
stances. The man killed was Morton
McCallum instead of Martin McClellan,
and he was a railroad employe. He
was killed while in the discharge
of his duties. He was a switchman on
the Elrod & Conway road and jumped
from his train to a switch, not notice-
ing the fast approaching train on the
main line, he jumped right in front of
it. The engineer seeing the man as he
struck him, stopped as quickly as
possible. The body, which was terri-
bly mangled, was removed from be-
neath the tenth car. The coroner's
jury attached no blame to anyone.

Sheriff McNeill says that from in-
quiries all over the county, he learns
that nothing occurred during Christ-
mas to need any attention at all.—
The work of cleaning the court house
yard is progressing rapidly and it will
only be a short time before the differ-
ent county officers will be installed in
their new quarters.—The town has
placed a street light on the corner at
the Methodist Church, which is a great
improvement and one which is much
appreciated by the people attending
that church.—Mr. H. E. Carter, sales-
man for Mosses, White & Gough, has
been very sick for several days, but
was sufficiently improved yesterday to
go to his home at Maxton where he
will remain until he is able to resume
his duties.

Mr. C. M. Fuller leaves tonight for
the far West where he goes to pur-
chase a large supply of mules for the
approaching farming season.

ASSAULTED CAPT. NEWELL.

Unruly Negroes on Coast Line Train
Out of Wilmington.

The following from the Rocky
Mount Record of a recent date will
be read with interest in Wilmington:
"Gwine beat dat fellow wid brass
buttons what gits tickets," was the
threat made by three drunken negroes
who were passengers out of Wilming-
ton last night for Burgaw on train No.
42. Two extra passenger cars were
attached to this train to bring up this
travel which had gone down by the
morning train, and there were three
Jim Crow cars in last night, instead of
one, as is customary.

The three drunken negroes were as
good as their word, and were only
prevented doing Conductor W. H. Newell,
Jr., material bodily harm by intercep-
tion on the part of the flagman and
brakeman who pulled the three ne-
groes from the conductor after they
had thrown him between the aisle and
were sending blow after blow after
him. The affair was planned before-
hand and it was the intention of the
drunken negroes to overpower the
conductor and throw him from the
train.

One of the negroes had bought a
ticket, and after the conductor had
taken it and passed him by he attack-
ed him from behind and he was
thrown to the floor before he could
defend himself. After the assault was
broken up two of the negroes reached
the platform and jumped from the
moving train, while the other one
was held and lodged in jail at Burgaw.
The matter will be investigated by the
officials and everything possible done
to catch the negroes.

MASONIC SERVICES.

Sermon Sunday to Wilmington Lodges
by Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield.

The special service on Sunday morn-
ing at 11 o'clock at St. John's Episco-
pal Church in honor of St. John, the
Evangelist's Day, was the occasion for
a large attendance of Wilmington Ma-
sons who listened to a strong sermon,
appropriate to the occasion, by Rev.
F. H. T. Horsfield, rector of St. Ste-
phen's parish, Oxford, N. C., and
formerly pastor of St. James, in this city.
Rev. Mr. Horsfield was heard with
rare interest and pleasure by members
of the Masonic fraternity, who assem-
bled at the rectory, just north of the
church, and attended the services in
a body. Mr. Horsfield spoke of the
measure of men's characters and
charmed all with his splendid dis-
course. The service was arranged un-
der the auspices of Orient Lodge No.
295, but all Wilmington Masons and
visiting brethren participated in the
service.

HOW TO PREVENT PNEUMONIA.

In every paper you pick up you
will see where some good man has
just died with this fearful disease
pneumonia. Now we will give you
one hundred dollars for any case of
pneumonia that it falls to cure in
your family, if you will use goose
grease liniment as directed. It only
costs you 25 cents a bottle, get it
you have nothing to lose and all to
gain, we know there are thousands
who will read this and throw it aside
and in a few days will be down with
the disease. Please just get one bot-
tle and put it away until you need it.
If you haven't the money to buy it
let us know and we will send you bot-
tle free.

GOOSE GREASE CO.

no 24 tu-thu-sat-ft.

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Agents, New
Idea Patterns
Cardharts
Overalls.

J. H. Rehder & Co.
THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE

Crawford
Shoes
Kirschbaum
Clothing.

"The Firm That Pays Your Car Fare."

Gifts for Xmas Enter- tainments & New Year

All Toys and Fancy Goods at Cost and Less Than Cost

Car Fare Paid on Pur- chases of \$2 and Over

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PRETTY XMAS AFFAIR.

Sunday School of Immanuel Presby-
terian Church Gave Entertainment.

The Sunday School of Immanuel
Presbyterian Church all but exceeded
itself in the very delightful Christmas
entertainment given last evening. The
attendance was unusually large and
the young people who had parts on a
well arranged programme acquitted
themselves with rare credit. Jos. W.
Little, Esq., superintendent of the
school, welcomed the young people
and their friends and the exercises
consisted of selections by the Acme
Male Quartette, by the church choir,
recitations, dialogues, etc., by the
children, one of the recitations by
little Miss Marie Bonitz, nine years old,
having elicited especial applause. An-
other favorite was a whistling solo by
pupil of the kindergarten. An inter-
esting feature for all was some remin-
iscences of 14 years by Charles C.
Loughlin, Esq., a member of Colonel
Walker Taylor's Bible Class in the
school. After the formal exercises
gifts for the children were distributed
from the platform, which was de-
corated with a beautiful Christmas tree.
The exercises were a great credit to
all who had part in them.

LADIES OF IMMANUEL.

Have Conceived Novel Plan For Car-
pet Fund of the Church.

Members of the Ladies' Aid Society
of Immanuel Presbyterian Church,
who have just now the pleasant task
of raising a fund to meet the expense
of a beautiful new carpet for the
house of worship, have hit upon a no-
vel plan of carrying to early fruition
their splendid work. The Society has
as a unit taken the Wilmington agency
for subscriptions to the Ladies' Home
Journal, of Philadelphia, and the ex-
ceedingly liberal terms given are en-
couraging them to great efforts for a
wide circulation of the paper in Wil-
mington. Any friend who may desire
to assist the Society in its novel way
of raising church funds may telephone
their subscriptions or renewals to Rev.
or Mrs. J. S. Crowley or leave them
at the store of the C. W. Polvogt Co.,
which has kindly consented to assist
the ladies with their campaign.

DIED ON VISIT HERE.

Mrs. Mary Ann Penny Passed Away
at Home of Son.

Mrs. Mary Ann Penny, of White-
ville, passed away Sunday morning at
the home of her son at Delgado, where
she had been spending a few weeks
on a visit and her death will be learn-
ed of with deep sorrow by her many
friends here and elsewhere.
She had been sick only a few days,
but owing to infirmity of age, little
hope was held out for her recovery.
She was in her 72nd year. The de-
ceased was the wife of Mr. Frank
Penny, of Whiteville, and besides two
sons in this city, there are a number
of other relatives surviving.

The remains were sent to White-
ville yesterday morning, where the
funeral was held and the remains in-
terred yesterday afternoon.

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"TEARS.

"Idle tears" do no good after
the Baby is gone. Oroup and
wolds and little white coffins
go hand in hand. GOWAN'S
great external remedy, called
GOWAN'S PREPARATION
destroys inflammation. Keep
a bottle in the home. 25c, 50c,
\$1 buys it. Do not wait till
tomorrow—buy today. Be pre-
pared. All drug stores.

Happy New Year!

We wish to thank our friends
and customers for the liberal
patronage given us this year,
and hope by fair and honest
dealing to merit the same dur-
ing the coming year.

J. W. FLEET CO.

Phone 673.

So. W. Corner Front and Princess Sts.

Sale of Wines and Liquors

We have just found time to look over our stock and we have left
in the neighborhood of three thousand gallons of whiskeys and wines.
We must dispose of this stock by December 31st, and in order to
do so we will sell at any reasonable figures.

We have been in the wholesale and retail liquor business in con-
nection with our grocery for seventeen consecutive years and we will
not sacrifice the reputation we have earned by unfair dealings in
closing this stock.

We ask you to write us, to 'phone, or to call in person and we
assure you that you will find things as we represent them.

Very truly,

Sternberger Bros.

de 27-4L

Have You Seen Our Imported

Chinaware?

Hand painted, selling cheap on account of
receiving it late.

Xmas package cigars, different prices.
We also have a select line of fancy package
candies, Kern's Chocolates and Bon Bons, Sam-
osets, assorted Nuts, Chocolates and Bon Bons.

SCHUTT'S PHARMACY

Second and Princess Sts.

Phone 5347

Quick Delivery.

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DEMOCRATIC TARIFF BILL

Congressman Clayton Proposes Such a Measure in Next Congress Instead of Opposition by the Minority to Bill.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 28.—The work of preparing the revised tariff bill was resumed today by the sub-committee of the House Ways and Means Committee. Two meetings were held today and there is every likelihood that the tariff framing committee, which consists of the Republicans members of the full committee, will continue to hold daily meetings until the time comes to report the bill to Congress at the special session in March.

Henry D. Clayton, of Alabama, chairman of the Democratic caucus of the House of Representatives, today expressed his views as to the Democratic attitude in the proposed revision of the tariff:

"I have the most implicit confidence in the capacity of Champ Clark and his Democratic associates of the Ways and Means Committee," said Mr. Clayton, "and would in no particular invade their appointed jurisdiction to speak for my party in committee deliberations on the tariff. Indeed, I would vote for any revenue measure they might propose, but as a Democrat and the representative of a constituency grievously oppressed by the exactions for private interests of the Dingley law I do not believe it imperative on my part to offer some suggestions.

"In my opinion it is not sufficient for the Democrats in the next Congress to assume an attitude of simple negation and merely oppose what the Republicans offer. We must formulate an entire tariff bill covering every schedule from 'agates to zinc' and go to the committee of the whole with it, champion it, demand division on its every schedule and ask for the yeas and nays on it in the House. The bill should be carefully considered in principle and in detail—in short, it should be a measure we can go to the country on. The Democrats are unexcelled to kick things to pieces; let us show that we can put things together as the old party did in the time of Jackson and of Polk. We can do it. It only requires the effort.

"Then we are to hit, so it is said, the maximum and the minimum, which is only another name for reciprocity. Of course the Republicans will insist on making the maximum as big as they dare; but our bills might fit in for the minimum in some of the schedules, and let us press it.

"The Republicans are thundering in the index. They cannot revise the tariff 'down.' Who gathers 'figs from thistles or grapes from thorns,' and yet that is the crop of fig and grapes Cannon, Aldrich, Burrows, Dalzell and Company will give us.

"We want a complete bill on which to go to the country in 1910."

BEGIN GREAT REVIVAL

Evangelist Combs to Begin Series of Services at Christian Church.

Evangelist J. V. Combs, of Kansas City, Kan., a preacher of great power and magnetism has been engaged to assist Pastor J. A. Erwin with a series of evangelistic services to last for several weeks at the First Christian Church, on Dock street, beginning January 1st. He will be accompanied by Professor Eduard McKinney, a soloist and chorus director of National reputation, and with the hearty co-operation of the congregation, which is assured, the meeting promises to be a great one.

Evangelist Combs is a university graduate and was a college professor for six years. He has preached in every State in the union and has been the instrument of leading thousands to the higher life. At Pittsburg, Kan., during a meeting there were 114 professions in a single day. Professor McKinney has worked with many of the leading evangelists of the land, including Scoville, Nichols, Boen and others and invited Christian singers to join with him in the song service during the meetings. The first service will be on Friday night and the subject will be "The Three Kingdoms of Time." Saturday night, a mass meeting for children to which everybody is invited. Sunday morning the subject will be "The Power of Love" and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a lecture to women only on the subject, "Troubles, Real and Imaginary," at night, "Christ in History, Art and Heart." Monday evening the subject will be "Enthusiasm for Humanity." All are cordially invited to attend any or all of the services.

McIntosh May Lecture Here.

Wilmington people will learn with great interest and pleasure, that Mr. Burr McIntosh, the famous writer and lecturer, who has recently made a distinctive hit in various parts of the country with his new lecture, "The United States Today," delivered with excellent illustrated pictures, may visit this city next Monday night. The proceeds of his lecture will go to the Associated Charities and the Children's Playground. An intimate friend in this city is in communication with Mr. McIntosh in an effort to persuade him to fill an engagement here.

Had a Close Call.

Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles effected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50c and \$1.00 trial bottle free.

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NEW YEAR'S EVENT

Entertainment at Y. M. C. A.—Mock Court Trials Soon.

A pretty New Year's event is being arranged at the Y. M. C. A., under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, which has provided many delightful occasions of late, the latter affair to consist of a splendid musical programme and other interesting and happy features. The hours for the entertainment will be from 8 until 11 o'clock and the public is extended an invitation.

A Mock Court Trial, under the direction of Col. A. V. Newton, of Worcester, Mass., will be given in this city at the Academy of Music, Thursday evening, January 7th and will be under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. These entertainments have proved decidedly popular during the past few months and afford an evening of rare enjoyment, with lots of local hits and other laughable incidents.

ADMITTED HIS GUILT.

Perkins Swore He Gambled and That Whole Party Are Guilty.

A case in which seven alleged gamblers were the defendants, consumed some time before Justice Bornemann yesterday afternoon and the entire number were sent over to higher court under \$50 bond each and in default of same were sent to jail to await trial at the term of January court. All of the parties are negroes and were arrested last Saturday night by Deputy Piver with assistance of other officers.

Perkins testified in court that he was gambling and implicated the other defendants, this evidence with that of the officers being sufficient to sustain the charge for a higher court trial.

Monday's Police Court.

Nine cases for various offenses, most of which were frivolous, were tried at the session of the police court yesterday noon, among the number being Robert Shappard and Lennon Lawrence, two colored men, who drive baggage wagons for Orrell Livery Co., for falsifying and they were required to pay \$5 and the cost each. The charge against Robert Smith for interfering with Officer Merritt, while in discharge of his duty was not sustained and the case dismissed. Chas. Fisher was given 30 days for being drunk and disorderly.

Two Cottages Were Burned.

A fire on Wright, between Second and Third streets, consumed two small houses, with an estimated loss of \$750, Sunday shortly after noon. The department responded to an alarm from box 47 and although the flames had gained headway and two cottages were burned, the firemen are due much credit for saving a third one which was endangered. The flames originated in the home of Mr. Woody and rapidly spread to the adjoining house occupied by Mr. J. D. Sellers.

Sold to Satisfy Claims.

The balance of the stock of Julius Taylor, whose store on North Front street was closed under execution several weeks ago, was disposed of yesterday by Constable Savage and the goods sold at auction, bringing \$304.45. The store was conducted under the firm name of "Taylor the Tailor" and the goods were sold in the Odd Fellows' building, where they were stored after the homestead exemption was claimed.

Auto Badly Damaged.

The touring car of Mr. J. A. Springer was considerably damaged as it was being driven into the yard of the owner's residence at Fifth and Princess streets Sunday afternoon after a drive in the country, the damage having been done by a rear-end collision with a street car. The machine was sent to the garage of Mr. Frank Herbst where it is being repaired by Newkirk Brothers.

NUMBER BURIED ALIVE

Wall Fell in Trench and 10 Are Believed to Be Dead.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.) Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 28.—Two dead bodies have been recovered and eight are known to be buried in an immense trench at the blast furnace plant at Ensley early tonight. Some other laborers were injured as also were two firemen who were superintending the work. Most of the dead are foreigners.

The men are working in a large trench about eight feet below the surface. They were excavating for the gas flue which is to connect the blast furnaces with the new battery of boilers which is to run the plant. The end of the old gas flue which extends the full length of the furnace plant had been temporarily bricked up while the laborers were at work on the extension.

SOUTH CAROLINA WATERWAYS

Eastern Carolina Rivers and Harbors Congress In Session.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.) Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28.—The Eastern Carolina Rivers and Harbors Congress held its second annual session here today and took active steps looking toward the improvement of the waterways of South Carolina. Senator elect D. Smith, Congressman J. H. Ellerbe and D. L. Finley and Governor Martin F. Ansel were among the speakers. Hon. M. D. Morgan, of Georgetown, was elected president of the Congress for the ensuing year. Resolutions were adopted asking through the State's representatives in Congress that money be appropriated for obtaining a ten foot channel in Carolina rivers.

Fletcher Willis, a negro, was hanged at Perry, Ga., yesterday between 10 and 11 o'clock for the murder of James Hall, of Houston county. He protested his innocence to the end.

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THANKS TO DONORS

King's Daughters Made Happy Through Their Generosity.

The ladies of the Whatsoever Circle of the King's Daughters wish to extend their thanks to those whose generosity enabled them to scatter sunshine into many hearts the past Christmas. Stockings filled with candies, nuts, apples, oranges and toys were sent to 35 children. In one family there were three children who had never before in all their lives received a Christmas present.

Boxes containing candies, nuts, fruit, books, handkerchiefs, and ties were sent to 18 older persons. A nice box of clothing, toys and confections was fixed up for the little girl, who is the protégé of this Circle; a nice warm quilt was sent to a cripple, and a hat given to a poor woman and one to a little girl.

Besides these donations several ladies took the names and addresses of some on the list and sent them stockings or boxes which did not go through the hands of the society. They also desire to thank the officers of the Salvation Army for their assistance both in making out the list and in distributing the gifts.

WARM WIRELETS.

Many delegates are attending the annual convention of the Southern Educational Association in Atlanta this week. Between 400 and 500 of the most prominent educators in the Southern States are present.

Capt. R. B. Parrott, U. S. A., of New Jersey, led a field of 58 contestants in the annual holiday week golf tournament at Pinehurst, N. C., yesterday. R. H. Gwaltney, of Wilmington, scored 87, in the qualification scores in the first division.

West Crubb, a negro, wanted for attempting to wreck passenger trains on the Norfolk & Western road on three different occasions during the past three weeks, was arrested yesterday near Wytheville and was carried to Roanoke, fearing violence of enraged citizens.

The 46th Company Coast Artillery Corps, in target practice at Fort Strong, Mass., on October 13th last made 100 per cent. of hits, according to a report received by the chief of artillery. The chief of coast artillery has recommended Capt. Yost and the members of the 46th company.

A safe-robbery which is said by the police to be unexampled in point of daring was revealed yesterday in New York by Oscar C. Jackle, a jeweler, of 866 Third avenue, whose place of business was entered last Sunday night and looted of \$5,000 in cash and \$20,000 in jewelry.

The Jeffries Athletic Club at Los Angeles, Cal., made definite arrangements to stage a heavy weight boxing match between the winner of the Kaufmann and Barry fight, Wednesday night and Dr. B. F. Roller, a Seattle athlete. The bout, which will be staged on January 26th will be for 25 rounds.

It was learned in Washington yesterday that Bishop Dennis J. O'Connell, rector of the Catholic University of America, has been appointed bishop co-adjutor of San Francisco. The term of Bishop O'Connell, who, at present is spending a few days at his old home in Charleston, S. C., as rector expires January 13th, next.

There was an earthquake in amateur athletic circles in New York last night when announcement was made of the suspension of six prominent athletes, five of whom took part in the recent olympiad at London. The suspended men against whom the charge of professionalism were made were: Melvin Sheppard, Charles Bacon, Harry F. Porter and George V. Bonhag, all of the Irish-American A. C.; F. G. Bellars, New York A. C. and James J. Lee, formerly of the Boston A. A., but now unattached.

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FOR RENT—Eight-room house, all modern conveniences, on Fourth street, between Market and Princess. Possession given at once. D. R. Foster & Co., 206 Princess street. de 27-3t.

IMPORTANT MEETING of Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., W. L. I. Armory, Tuesday, January 5th, 1909, 3 P. M. Election of officers. By order of President. Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, secretary. de 27-29 ja 1-3

MECHANICS' HOME ASSOCIATION—New series B. & L. stock Walker Taylor, president; W. M. Cumming, secretary. de 18 tf ex su

FOR RENT—From January 1st, 1909, two stores at corner Nutt and Red Cross streets at present occupied by Mr. A. Rothschild. Apply to Martin O'Brien. de 27-2t*

THE CITIZENS' BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION will issue its regular semi-annual series of stock on Saturday, January 2nd, 1909. Subscribers may have shares reserved for them by notifying the undersigned John D. Bellamy, Jr., secretary. de 20 27 3t.

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THE OLD RELIABLE, the Wilmington Pressing Club, is still running at the old stand on Second street. Others come and go, but the old Wilmington comes and stays. de 5-tf.

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UPHOLSTERING, repairing, varnishing, at 114 1-2 Dock street. Phone No. 1465. Carolina Upholstering Company, P. J. Breen, manager. de 6 tf

NEAR THE CORNER of Ninth and Grace streets, a nice seven-room house with modern conveniences, for sale; size of lot, 33x55 feet with alley. Price \$2,000. D. R. Foster & Co., 206 Princess street. Phone 1220. de 27-3t.

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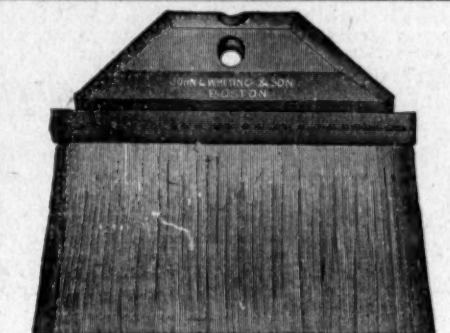
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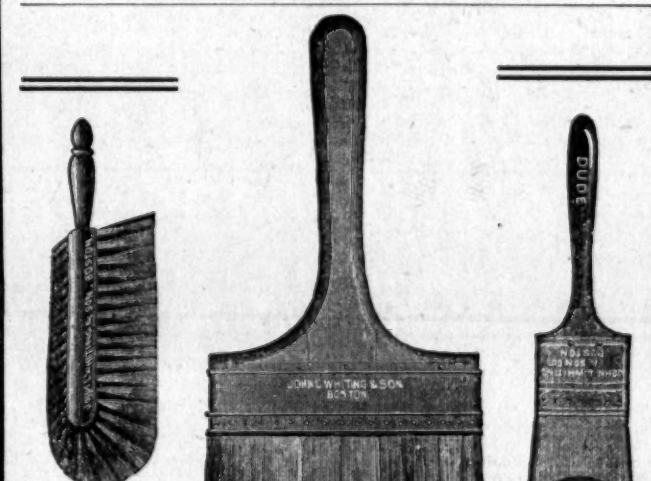


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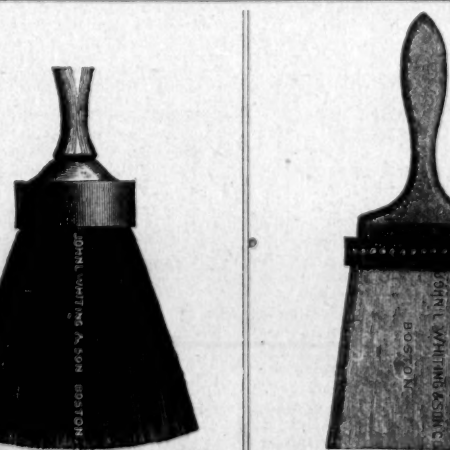
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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—High Point, Dec. 27.—A carload of polo ponies went to Pinehurst via High Point this morning to be used in the winter sports at this popular resort.

—Dunn Guide: Well, the Dunn dispensary has only a few more days left in its last days it has scored another victory and laid away its eighth victim directly, but no count could be kept of the lives gone out indirectly. When we think that our vote is registered against it we are made to rejoice.

—Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligence: Engineers, representing Boston capitalists, have been at Blewitt Falls this week inspecting the works there for the purpose of reporting upon them as an investment. The president of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, of New York, will, we learn, also visit the falls next week on the same errand.

—Concord Times: Mr. Caesar Cone, receiver of the Odell Manufacturing Company, will this week mail checks to the creditors for 75 per cent. of their claims, this being the first dividend. He hopes to be able to close out the balance of the assets and remit final dividend at an early date. The creditors will receive 100 cents on the dollar of their claims without interest.

—Charlotte Chronicle: It develops that a good many people in North Carolina, especially in Union, Anson and Robeson counties made investments of stock in the Seminole Securities Company and are now wondering where they are going to come out. The Lumberton Robesonian reports that Dr. J. P. Brown, one of the North Carolina investors, "has determined to resist the payment of the notes until the matter can be further looked into."

—Duplin Journal: Rev. C. M. Rock, pastor of the Warsaw Baptist church, tendered his resignation as pastor at the 11 o'clock service last Sunday, the same to take effect the third Sunday in January. Rev. Mr. Rock has served the Baptist church here for five years and under his pastorate the church has flourished and grown in a marvelous manner. The membership of the church has been greatly increased and built up much in spirituality.

—Mount Olive Tribune: A unique case was tried Tuesday of last week before Justice of the Peace Joseph E. Peterson, when "Rev." J. H. Love, pastor of St. James African Methodist church, brought suit against his congregation to recover \$218, the salary due for this year. Many members were present and testified. The pastor was awarded judgment for \$200, following which an appeal was taken. The case will be heard at the January term of the Superior Court, and undoubtedly will create much amusement.

—Industrial News: There was a striking contrast in Christmas eve this year and Christmas eve one year ago. The streets last night were crowded, but the people were orderly and little noise out of the ordinary was heard. A year ago the fire cracker ordinance was suspended and until after midnight there was a fusillade of explosions that deafened the ears and soon drove in doors most of the women and many of the men and boys. This year the fire cracker ordinance was being enforced and everything was comparatively quiet.

—Smithfield Herald: Mr. Dick Stephenson, of Cleveland township, snakes money by trapping. He set a steel trap in a certain place and covered it over with leaves. Later Mr. James Stephenson went to the same place and set a trap about four or five feet away, not knowing about the other trap. A large otter got one of his hind feet in one of these and ran around trying to get loose until he was caught by one of his forefeet in the other trap. The two men will sell the otter's skin and divide the money, as both caught him. It is worth eight to ten dollars.

—Statesville Landmark: Miss Pansy Greene, daughter of Rev. G. W. Greene (a native of this section of the State, and who is now a Baptist missionary at Canton, China), who is known to quite a number of people in Statesville, where she has visited, passed through Statesville Wednesday night en route from Lenoir. After the holidays Miss Pansy Greene will go to Atlanta, Ga., where she will be joined by Miss Spaulding, of North Carolina, and the two will sail for China Jan. 8th. Miss Greene will join her father at Canton and will teach in a mission school there for two or three years, after which she will become a full fledged missionary. Miss Spaulding will work as a missionary at some point in China.

—Newbern Journal: The writer has been loaned a very interesting newspaper by Mr. W. F. Foy. The paper is an organ in paper of the Wig party published in Baltimore at the beginning of General William H. Harrison's campaign for the Presidency. Its title is "The Log Cabin Advocate," dated June 20, 1840. An illustration shows the doughty old warrior welcoming a comrade to his humble cabin. A barrel of hard cider is standing conveniently near the doorway. Very few, if any, are living now, who can remember that campaign, but it was a hard fought one, the log cabin and cider barrel were spectacular features, being carried about on wheels from place to place where speeches were to be made. It is historical that a log cabin was hauled from Raleigh to Beaufort during the progress of the campaign. The paper referred to bears the name of "Samuel Hill" who was the maternal grandfather of Mr. Foy and this was found among his papers.

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first wish is to thank you and everyone of you for your liberal Christmas trade. The year of 1908 has been a very hard year, but we have held our own, weathered the storm of financial depression and increased the size of our store to the amount of 7,000 feet of floor space. Christmas is over and has brought many pleasures to us all, and we are now thinking and planning for 1909.

TOY'S

We have not sold out our toys, the assortment is almost complete now. Sunday Schools and Charitable Institutions can get 25 per cent. discount on all their purchases in this line. We buy like we sell, very liberal. We are still receiving new goods.

A big assortment of new Kid Goves just received, in all colors. Elegant new yard-wide Satin at \$1.00 per yard. Special styles in children's Hats, were \$1.75, now 98c. Ladies' Cloaks, they have taken a tumble in price as we have just bought a drummer's samples and we are letting them go at a big reduction. A few tailor-made Suits, were \$10.00, now \$7.50. In Furs we have a plenty. The up-to-date new Furs are sold at reasonable prices, and the cheap Furs are sold still cheaper.

OUR DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

has shared most liberal in our Christmas trade. The great quantity that we have sold still leaves aplenty that is new and up-to-date. We have a nice line of 54-inch Broadcloth that sold at \$1.25 and \$1.50, we are now selling at 98c per yard. Yard-wide Bleaching, nice quality at 7c per yard. Large assortment of Feather Pillows, a good pillow for 30c a piece; a 2, 1-2 pound Pillow at 75c and up to a genuine down Pillow at \$2.25. 64-inch wide Table Linen, strictly all linen at 60c per yard. 54-inch Mercerized Linen at 25c per yard.

Our Christmas trade has been better this year than last, which we justly feel very proud of. Thanking you again for your liberal support for the year of 1908, and ask that you continue through the year of 1909 the same. Remember

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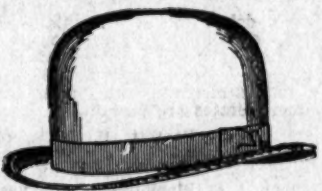
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No. 45 No. 39.
Lv. Wilm'tn... 4:45 A. M. 3:00 P. M.
Ar. Lumb'tn... 7:11 A. M. 5:43 P. M.
Ar. Maxton... 7:52 A. M. 6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet... 8:45 A. M. 7:30 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet... 9:05 A. M. 8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe... 10:50 A. M. 10:20 P. M.
Ar. Charlotte... 11:35 A. M. 11:30 P. M.
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Schedule in Effect Sept. 7, 1908.

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NORTHBOUND.
48. No. 48.
Lv. Wilmington... 9:00 am 7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro... 12:03 pm 9:55 pm
Ar. Wilson... 1:00 pm 10:55 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount... 1:35 pm 11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon... 4:55 pm 2:36 pm
Ar. Norfolk... 5:55 pm
Ar. Petersburg... 7:00 pm 4:30 am
Ar. Richmond... 8:00 pm 5:10 am
Ar. Washington... 11:50 pm 8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore... 1:41 am 10:00 am
Ar. Philadelphia... 4:21 am 12:18 pm
Ar. New York... 7:23 am 2:45 pm

SOUTHBOUND.
No. 41. No. 41.
Lv. New York... 9:25 am 9:35 pm
Ar. Philadelphia... 11:27 am 12:15 am
Ar. Baltimore... 2:12 pm 2:51 am
Ar. Washington... 3:45 pm 4:20 am
Ar. Norfolk... 5:25 am
Ar. Richmond... 7:25 pm 8:15 am
Ar. Petersburg... 8:05 pm 9:03 am
Ar. Weldon... 9:59 pm 11:28 am
Ar. Rocky Mount... 11:08 pm 12:55 pm
Ar. Wilson... 11:47 pm 1:55 pm
Ar. Goldsboro... 6:15 pm 3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington... 9:25 am 6:10 pm

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Daily. Daily. Daily.
Lv. Wilm'tn... 6:15 am 3:30 pm 7:00 pm
Ar. Flor... 9:05 am 7:20 pm 4:30 am
Ar. Col'bia... 12:25 pm 10:45 pm
Ar. Ch't'n... 1:10 pm 11:18 pm 7:30 am
Ar. Sa'n... 6:20 pm 2:10 am 9:54 am
Ar. Jk'ville... 7:15 am 2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa... 6:25 pm 12:15 am

NORTHBOUND.
Daily. Daily. Daily.
Lv. Tampa... 8:55 pm 7:00 am
Lv. Jacksonville... 8:55 am 7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah... 1:05 pm 11:59 pm
Ar. Charleston... 6:30 pm 8:30 am
Lv. Columbia... 4:30 pm 5:00 am
Ar. Florence... 7:15 pm 2:55 am
Ar. Wilmington... 12:45 am 1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SAFFORD.

Westbound. Eastbound.
Daily. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington... 8:40 am 4:45 pm
Lv. Fayetteville... 12:10 pm 4:45 pm
Ar. Sanford... 1:40 pm 3:30 pm

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FROM WILMINGTON.

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SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:30, 7:00, 8:30 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

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TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE.

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SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:55, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

TO THE BEACH FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:45, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15, 6:15, 6:45, 9:15 P. M.

TO GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO FROM WILMINGTON.

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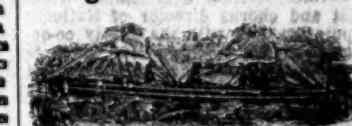
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On and after Sunday, September 13th, steamer will leave daily at 9:30 A. M. for Southport returning leaves Southport at 2:30 P. M.

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 29.
SPRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady 37c.
ROBIN—Market, steady \$2.70 per barrel of 280 pounds.
TAR—Market, firm \$1.60.
CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm \$1.75 per barrel for hard; \$2.75 for dip and \$2.75 for virgin.
 Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine quiet 39 1-2; rosin quiet \$2.55; tar, nothing doing; crude turpentine firm \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.00.

RECEIPTS.
 Spirits Turpentine 9
 Rosin 18
 Tar 86
 Crude Turpentine 8
 Receipts, same day last year, 7 casks spirits turpentine; 329 barrels rosin; 53 barrels tar; 34 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.
 Market—Steady, 8 3-4 cents for steady 10 13-16c.
 Same day last year—Steady, nominal.
 Receipts—3,228 bales, same day last year 2,755 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.
 (Quoted by W. J. Meredith, December 29th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65¢; extra prime, 75¢; fancy, 80¢; Virginia, prime 60¢; extra prime 70¢; Spanish, 75¢.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2¢ per bushel for white; 92 1-2¢ for mixed.
N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17¢; shoulders 11¢ @ 12 1-2¢; sides 12 1-2¢.

EGGS—Dull at 25¢ per dozen.
CHICKENS—Dull at 15¢ @ 35¢ for large springs; grown, dull, 35¢.

BEEF—Firm at 5¢ per pound.
BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2¢ per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr. flint, 10¢; green, dull 7¢ per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90¢ per bushel.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50¢ per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15¢; burry wool 10 to 12¢.

TURKEYS—On foot 12 to 13¢; 14 to 18¢ dressed. Dull demand.

GEESSE—Dull 50¢ per head; dressed 55¢.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8¢; corn fed 8¢ for small pork.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Dec. 28.—The cotton market made a generally steady showing today with the close steady at a net advance of 1 to 7 points. Sales were estimated at 150,000 bales.

The market opened steady at an advance of 2 to 6 points as compared with last Thursday and during the first few minutes sold 5 to 8 points net higher on covering and scattered bull support, which was encouraged by steady English cables and talk of an improved trade demand after the turn of the year. The circulation of December notices, estimated at about 10,000 bales, caused a little scattering liquidation under which that position eased off several points from the best and the later months reacted in sympathy, but after selling within a point or two of Thursday's closing the market steadied in the late trading, with late months relatively firm on support from trade interests and reports of firmer interior holders.

Southern spot markets officially reported were unchanged to 1-8¢ higher. Trading in December was light and the scattering interest in that position appears to have been largely eliminated.

Receipts at the ports today were 49,883 bales, against 48,539 last week and 74,775 last year; for the week 350,000 bales, against 365,363 last week and 361,976 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 12,234 bales, against 23,861 last year and at Houston 8,877 bales, against 9,202 last year.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 9.30; middling gulf 9.55; sales 10,900 bales. Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month Open Close
 December 9.13 9.10
 January 8.69 8.71
 February 8.74 8.74
 March 8.78 8.82
 April 8.87 8.87
 May 8.88 8.90
 June 8.86 8.86
 July 8.88 8.90
 August 8.78 8.79
 September 8.68 8.68
 October 8.56 8.68

HESTER'S COTTON REPORT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New Orleans, Dec. 28.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued today shows the total visible to be 5,212,834 bales, against 5,024,296 last week and 4,734,962 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 4,048,834, against 4,244,396 last week and 3,764,086 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India etc 804,000, against 780,000 last week and 970,876 last year. Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 2,746,000 bales, against 2,558,000 last year, in Egypt 277,000, against 237,000 last year; in India 236,000, against 365,000 last year, and in the United States 1,854,000 against 1,575,000 last year.

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 Galveston—Steady, 8 13-16¢; net receipts 17,780; stock 235,488.
 New Orleans—Steady, 8 13-16¢; net receipts 12,234; stock 290,865.
 Mobile—Steady 8 11-16¢; net receipts 2,730; stock 65,304.
 Savannah—Quiet, 8 1-2¢; net receipts 8,069; stock 163,668.
 Charleston—Quiet, 8 1-2¢; net receipts 322; stock 19,572.
 Wilmington—Quiet, 8 1-2¢; net receipts 3,228; stock 32,321.
 Norfolk—Steady, 9¢; net receipts 4,072; stock 30,837.

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MARINE

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Str. Carib, Devereaux, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 28, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—108 bales cotton; 6 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—482 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 5 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—2,397 bales cotton; 21 barrels tar; 3 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—179 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—62 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 18 barrels rosin.

Total—3,228 bales cotton; 9 casks spirits turpentine; 18 barrels rosin; 86 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Str. Helena (Br.) 2,708 tons, Kelley, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Cardigan (Br.) 2,689 tons, Davis, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Holmes, (Br.) 1,143 tons, Alrey, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Erpina, (Ger.) 1,295 tons, Bellman, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Horace P. Shores, 392 tons, Flynn, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel L. Cook, 319 tons, Loveland, C. D. Maffitt.

Millie R. Robannan, 570 tons, Little, C. D. Maffitt.

Ada F. Brown, 1,294 tons, Wallace, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel F. Sheppard, 493 tons, Sheppard, C. D. Maffitt.

John H. May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

Kline, 1,867 tons, Patton, C. D. Maffitt.

Barges.

Flora, Little River, S. C., Hammer Lumber Co.

Talismans in Malta.

There are still to be found in Malta a number of small stones shaped and colored like the eyes, tongues and other parts of serpents.

The superstitious among the Maltese connect these with the tradition that St. Paul when shipwrecked was cast on their island and that it was there that while lighting a bundle of sticks for a fire a viper fastened on the apostle's hand. St. Paul calmly shook the reptile off into the flames, and no harm followed. The natives wear these stones as talismans, in which character they suppose them serviceable in warding off dangers from snake bites and poisons.

They are found in St. Paul's cave imbedded in clay and are set in rings and bracelets and when found to be in the shape of a tongue or liver or heart are hung around the neck. They are also taken internally, dissolved in wine, which method is attended, according to some people, by more immediate results.

Blessings.

She was the daughter of the village physician, a sunny curled darling of six, whose big blue eyes rested on the face of the Sunday school teacher with an attention and intelligence most encouraging.

So when, after a discourse to the children on the beauty of appreciating their blessings, the teacher asked for an explanation of a blessing the doctor's little daughter rose and said:

"If my papa was to have a patient and she was to get well, and she was to pay my papa, and my papa was to give the money to my mamma, and my mamma was to buy me a new dress and take me down to the vacant lot and let me ride the great big fierce lion on the merry-go-round, that would be a blessing."—Woman's Home Companion.

A Witty Reply.

A witty but not overindulgent Celt was one of a street gang. A few minutes before noon one day he threw his shovel into the gutter, sat down on the curbstone and proceeded to light his pipe. Just then the superintendent of streets came round a corner and, seeing Pat, roared out:

"Here! What are you throwing down your shovel for at this time of day?"

"To cool it, sorr," said Pat.

Wasted Opportunities.

"How did you like my talk last night?" asked the beginner in the lecture field.

"Well," replied the candid critic, "you didn't take advantage of your many opportunities."

"I didn't?"

"No; you had a number of opportunities to quit before you did."—Philadelphia Press.

The New Year.

Begin it right, open an account with The People's Savings Bank, and you will get your interest in three months.

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Crude Turpentine.

Distillers quote crude turpentine as follows: \$2.75 for dip and virgin, and \$1.75 for hard.

Would Mortgage the Farm.

A farmer on Rural Route 2, Empire, Ga., W. A. Floyd by name, says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured the two worst sores I ever saw: one on my hand and one on my leg. It is worth more than its weight in gold. I would not be without it if I had to mortgage the farm to get it." Only 35c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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THE HAINS-ANNIS MURDER TRIAL

The Defense Elated at The Results of The Day's Work.

A GOOD SHOWING MADE

In the Examination of Witnesses For the Defendant—Claim of no Pre-conceived Action on Part of the Brother.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 28.—The defense scored two material points in the evidence developed in the trial today of Thornton J. Hains which, the defendant's counsel asserts, disprove the charge that the author was a principal with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., in the killing of William E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht Club. An exhaustive cross-examination of the two witnesses for the defense left the main points of their testimony unshaken and Thornton Hains returned to the Long Island jail to-night declaring that the evidence proved his innocence.

Testimony that Thornton Hains did not go to Bayside to kill Annis, but to look at property, was testified to by Charles R. Weaver, sales-agent for the Hains Concrete Mixer Co., who further declared that it was at his insistent invitation that the Hains brothers on August 15th postponed a trip to Sandy Hook and went to Bayside to inspect real estate there. Weaver almost sobbed on the stand when he said that he felt responsible for sending the Hainses on the journey that ended in the death of Annis.

The mental condition of Captain Hains previous to the shooting was testified to by Mr. Weaver, who asserted that from the actions of the army captain he believed him to be irrational.

The second material point brought out by the defense today was drawn from John Tierney, a garbage collector, who said he was an eye-witness to the tragedy. Tierney declared that Captain Hains had ceased firing before his brother ran down to the float and that the defendant did not draw his revolver until Charles Roberts, a club member, advanced toward Captain Hains with his revolver in his hand. Tierney said Thornton Hains did not point his revolver at anyone on the float, but called for an officer to arrest his brother. He did not see Mrs. Annis on the float.

A severe cross examination did not make Tierney waver in the essentials of his direct testimony.

THE OHIO SENATORSHIP.

Friends of the Candidates Gathering For the Approaching Contest.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Columbus, O., Dec. 28.—With the arrival of Senator J. B. Foraker, this evening, the three leading candidates for the United States Senatorship are here. It was said today that Senator Dick would come tomorrow. The belief obtains among observers of the contest that there is little chance for a dark horse to be elected. The arrival of former Lieutenant Governor Harden started rumors that the Taft supporters might go to him rather than see the prize won by Burton if the latter seemed to gain strength.

State Oil Inspector Phipps, a leading Taft supporter, called on Mr. Burton today by request. As a result of their conversation, it became known that the question of State patronage is to figure in the outcome. As Mr. Burton is friendly with the three State Senators from Cleveland, his home, through them he wields an influence which, if used, could be made to bring to his support the recess appointees of Governor Harris, who are to come before the Senate at its coming session for confirmation. Mr. Phipps is one of these recess appointees, but is not making any effort to retain his place. The question of his attitude on the United States Senatorship, therefore, will not be changed by an intimation that his confirmation may be held up in the Senate. He so informed Mr. Burton today.

Twenty members of the Legislature were here today and were in conference with the Senatorial candidates.

Where Bullets Flew.
David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done me more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

ILLNESS HALTS TRIAL

Alleged Night Rider on Trial For Murder Taken Suddenly Sick—Defense Asks Court to Withdraw Evidence.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Union City, Tenn., Dec. 28.—The sudden illness of Arthur Cloar, one of the eight alleged night riders on trial for the murder of Captain Rankin, caused a suspension of the trial this afternoon. The State had completed its testimony and had rested.

The defense put Bud Morris and Sam Applewhite, both defendants, on the stand. Both men denied any connection with the night riders and gave a circumstantial account of their whereabouts on the night of the murder of Captain Rankin.

The defense put Bud Morris and a complete alibi, and purposes to put all the defendants on the stand, and corroborate their testimony by members of their families. When the defense called Arthur Cloar to the stand, it was announced that he was ill, and on the testimony of a physician court adjourned until morning. The indisposition of the witness was pronounced temporary and the defense promised to be ready to resume in the morning.

Walter Holt, a fisherman from near Samburg, told today of Tid Burton's receiving a letter from the night riders telling Burton to attend a meeting that night or they would hang him. The night riders paid Holt a visit on the night of May 23. Holt said he recognized Garrett Johnson as the leader.

Will Rogers, from near Clayton, was introduced to corroborate the story told by Fehringer, detailing the route taken by him in assembling the band for the Walnut Log raid. He passed Fehringer in the road going in the direction of Frederick Pincon's home about 5 o'clock in the afternoon before the murder. Field Burton, of Martin, Tenn., was the last witness introduced by the State. He was at Walnut Log the night of the murder and was told by the night riders to stay in bed. After they had gone he went with Ed Powell and P. C. Ward to the scene of the crime and stayed the rest of the night.

KING CASE NEARING END.

Government Action Against Broken Will Reached Jury Today.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Boston, Mass., Dec. 28.—The defense and the government closed tonight in the case of C. F. King, the Boston broker, charged with the larceny by false pretenses of \$25,000 from 31 persons, who sent him money for investment and tomorrow the charge will be delivered to the jury. At the opening of today's proceedings former Attorney General Herbert Parker, counsel for Mr. King, announced that the defense would offer no testimony and he was allowed to proceed with his address to the jury. Mr. Parker based his argument upon the claim that a broker is not a regular trustee and that relations of such with customers are merely those of debtor and creditors.

Assistant District Attorney summed up for the government, giving in narrative from the history of Mr. King's operations as a broker.

RECEIVERS FOR SEMINOLE CO.

Judge Watts Heard Argument of Both Sides—Fixes Bond at \$50,000.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28.—Today at Cheraw, Judge Watts, of the Circuit Court, after hearing argument by both sides, announced that he would appoint receivers for the Seminole Securities Company, the decision being on an application by J. C. Klugh, a stockholder of the company, for a receivership.

It was alleged that the company had acted illegally in purchasing the stock of the Southern Life Insurance Company, of North Carolina, and that the price paid for the insurance company stock was unduly high and that excessive commissions were paid to the agent who engineered the transaction. Judge Watts fixed the receivers' bond at \$50,000. As yet no receivers have been named. The Seminole Company is capitalized at \$250,000.

APPLICATION IS DENIED

Judge Hart Refused Bail For Coopers And Sharp.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 28.—"Gentlemen, I desire to say that I have given this case careful consideration from every standpoint and after having done so I am of the opinion that it is not a bailable case, therefore I decline to allow bail as to any of the defendants and deny the application. This is all before the court this morning."

The above in full was the decision of Judge W. M. Hart in the criminal court in matter of the application for bail of Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharp, charged with the murder of former U. S. Senator Carmack in this city November 9th last. The prisoners were carried back to jail to await trial January 20th.

A Healthy Family.
"Our whole family has enjoyed good health since we began using Dr. King's New Life Pills, three years ago," says L. A. Bartlett, of Rural Route 1, Guilford, Maine. They cleanse and tone the system in a gentle way that does you good. 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

EARTHQUAKE HAS FEARFUL RESULT

Three Provinces in Southwestern Italy are Devastated.

MESSINA IS DESTROYED

Impossible to Obtain Approximate Idea of Vast Damage—Panic Stricken People at Catania Will Not Re-enter.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Rome, Dec. 28.—The three provinces of Cosenza, Catanzaro and Reggio Di Calabria, comprising the department of Calabria, which forms the southwestern extremity of Italy, or "the toe of the boot" were devastated today by an earthquake, the far-reaching effects of which were felt almost throughout the entire country.

The town of Messina, in Sicily, was partially destroyed, and Catania was inundated.

In Messina hundreds of houses have fallen and many persons have been killed. Owing, however, to the fact that telegraphic and telephonic communications were almost completely destroyed, it is impossible to obtain even an approximate idea of the vast damage done.

The fate of entire regions within the zone of the earthquake is unknown but reports received here up to a late hour tonight indicate that the havoc have been great and the destruction to life and property more terrible than Italy has experienced in many years. The uncertainty of the situation for many thousands has filled all Italians with the deepest distress, for they still have fear that the day may come when that part of the country, which seems to have been most blessed by nature, will be destroyed by the blind forces of that same nature which nearly 19 centuries ago overwhelmed Pompeii and Mercurianum.

All reports show that the present catastrophe embraces a larger area than the earthquake in 1905.

The tidal wave which followed the earthquakes on the eastern coast of Sicily sank vessels and inundated the lower part of Catania. It is known that a number of people were killed at that place, but the rushing waters carried everything before them and caused such an indescribable confusion that it will be impossible for some time to estimate the damage and the lives lost.

For a period the town of Messina and the whole province of Reggio were completely isolated through interruptions to the telegraph and telephone and landslides that obstructed the railways. Absolutely nothing was heard from Reggio throughout the day, while the first news from Messina came in the form of a dispatch which a torpedo boat, flying at full speed along the coast of the Peninsula, carried from point to point, always finding the wires down, until it reached Nicotera, where the telegraph lines were found to be intact.

The Italian government proceeded energetically to relieve the far-spread distress, concentrating at the points of greatest need, troops and engineers. Members of the Red Cross were dispatched to various places, and camps with provisions were immediately prepared, all available railway lines and warships being used for their transport.

The city of Messina has suffered probably more than any other place, the latest information coming indirectly from that quarter stating that two-thirds of the town was destroyed and several thousand persons killed. The steamers Washington and Montebello which were in that harbor, later proceeded to Catania, loaded with injured who were so stupefied by terror that they seemed unable to realize what had happened, simply saying that it looked as though the end of the world had come. Five steamers left Catania for Messina to assist in removing the injured from that place, who are reported to number thousands.

At Catania, the panic stricken people, fearing new shocks, absolutely refused to re-enter their houses and are camping on the squares which are free from water and the surrounding country. The tidal wave sank five hundred boats there and did great damage to a large number of vessels and steamers including the Austrian steamer Buda.

Not only did Catania suffer from the effects of a tidal wave but a similar body of water inundated the handsome streets of Messina which flank the harbor, covering them with a thick layer of mud which rendered more difficult the succoring of the wounded, many of whom could be seen lying under the wreckage.

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Mr. Wickersham's Selection to be Announced in a Few Days.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Washington, Dec. 28.—Senator P. C. Knox, of Pennsylvania, who will head the Taft Cabinet as Secretary of State, expects to leave here January 4th or 5th for Augusta, Ga., for a conference of several days duration with President-elect Taft. Mr. Taft is desirous of consulting with Mr. Knox before definitely making any other Cabinet selections. Definite announcement of the selection of George W. Wickersham, of New York, to be Attorney General, is expected to follow close upon Mr. Knox's arrival at Augusta.

Brooding over the fancied disgrace to his family because his father had been whipped by night riders, Roy Rogers the 20-year-old son of Presley Rogers, a prominent planter of Hopkinsville, Ky., committed suicide yesterday. The mother on returning from a visit found the boy dead with a revolver by his side.

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